# AGENDA Public Workshop on the Regulation of Oil Fields

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board



Wednesday, March 9, 2016 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Kern County Board of Supervisors Chambers 1115 E. Truxtun Avenue Bakersfield, CA 93305

#### THIS WORKSHOP WILL NOT BE WEBCAST

The Central Valley Board strives to conduct accessible, orderly, and fair meetings. The Board abides by the following rules when conducting its meetings:

- No person is required to register their name or provide other information to the Board in order to attend a Board meeting. Completing an attendance card is voluntary, unless you wish to testify before the Board.
- Anyone speaking to the Board will be requested to complete an attendance card.
- Items on this Agenda are numbered for identification purposes <u>only</u>; the Board may consider these items out of their listed order.

Board agendas and the minutes of prior meetings are posted on the Board's website at: <a href="http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board">http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board</a> info/meetings/

Questions regarding individual items should be directed to the Board staff person whose name and phone number are indicated with the agenda item. If no staff person is listed, or for general questions, please contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at: (916) 464-4839 or <a href="mailto:klanfranchi@waterboards.ca.gov">klanfranchi@waterboards.ca.gov</a>

The Board meeting will be conducted at a facility that is accessible to people with disabilities. Persons requiring special accommodations are asked to contact Ms. Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

#### **ELECTRONIC PRESENTATIONS**

PowerPoint and other electronic presentations are frequently presented at the Board Meetings. Please e-mail presentations to the Board's Webmaster at <a href="webmaster5@waterboards.ca.gov">webmaster5@waterboards.ca.gov</a> at least 24 hours in advance, or bring your files either on a USB Flash Drive or CD-ROM and give them to Board Staff prior to the start of the meeting.

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2016 - 9:00 A.M.

- 1. Introductions and Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Meeting Rules and Procedures
- 3. Board Member Communications Board Members and the State Board Liaison Member may discuss meetings, communications, correspondence, or other items of general interest relating to matters within the Board's jurisdiction. There will be no voting or formal action taken
- 4. Public Forum Any member of the public may address the Board on any matter within the Board's jurisdiction and not scheduled for consideration at this meeting, or pending before the Board
- 5. Public Workshop Concerning the Regulation of Oil Fields [Ron Holcomb (559) 445-6050]

#### **MEETING PROCEDURES**

The Central Valley Water Board circulates item-specific Notices and/or Hearing Procedures along with drafts of its Orders and Amendments. If there is a conflict between an item-specific Notice or Hearing Procedure and the Meeting Procedures in this Agenda, the item-specific Notice or Hearing Procedure will control. Please contact Board staff if you do not know whether there is a Notice or Hearing Procedure for a specific item.

The statutes and regulations that govern the Central Valley Water Board's meetings can be found at: <a href="http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws\_regulations/">http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws\_regulations/</a>

All persons may speak at a Central Valley Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral presentations will be limited in time by the Board Chair, and a timer may be used. Where speakers can be grouped by affiliation or interest, such groups are expected to select a spokesperson and to not be repetitive. The Board will accommodate spokespersons by granting additional time if other group members will not also be speaking.

Written materials that are received after deadlines set by item-specific Notices and/or Hearing Procedures will not generally be admitted. Any person requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause, and the Chair must find that the admission of the late materials would not prejudice the Central Valley Water Board or any designated party. The Chair may modify this rule to avoid severe hardship.

#### PROCEDURE FOR RULEMAKING AND INFORMATIONAL PROCEEDINGS

(Including Basin Planning, Rulemaking, Setting of Policy, and Workshops)

The regulations for rulemaking and informational proceedings are found in California Code of Regulations, title 23, sections 649 et seq. Rulemaking proceedings include hearings designed for the adoption, amendment, or repeal of any rule, regulation, or standard of general application. Informational proceedings include any hearings designed to gather and assess facts, opinions, and other information relevant to any matters within the jurisdiction of the Boards and whose primary purposes are to assist the Boards in the formulation of policy or guidelines for future Board action, to inform the public of Board policies, reports, orders, plans, or findings, and to obtain public comment and opinion with respect to such policies, reports, orders, plans, or findings, or to adopt such policies, reports, orders plans, or findings.

For rulemaking and informational proceedings, the Board does not distinguish between Designated Parties and Interested Persons; the Board will accept any evidence that is reasonably relevant, provided that it is submitted in accordance with any item-specific Notice or Hearing Procedure.

<u>Order of Proceeding</u>: for rulemaking and informational proceedings, the proceeding will be generally be conducted in the following order, unless modified by the Board Chair or specified differently in an item-specific Notice or Hearing Procedure:

- Opening statement by the Board summarizing the subject matter and purpose of the proceeding
- Presentation by Board staff
- Presentations by all other persons
- Recommendation by the Board's Executive Officer (as appropriate)
- Close of the Hearing, followed by deliberation and voting by the Board (as appropriate)

#### PETITION PROCEDURE

Any person aggrieved by an action of the Central Valley Water Board may petition the State Water Board to review the action in accordance with Water Code section 13320 and California Code of Regulations, title 23, sections 2050 and following. The State Water Board must receive the petition by 5:00 p.m., 30 days after the date of the issuance of the Order, except that if the thirtieth day following the issuance of the Order falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or state holiday, the petition must be received by the State Water Board by 5:00 p.m. on the next business day. Copies of the law and regulations applicable to filing petitions will be provided upon request or may be found at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/public\_notices/petitions/water\_quality

# CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

The primary duty of the Central Valley Water Board is to protect the quality of the waters within the Central Valley Region for all beneficial uses. This duty is implemented by formulating and adopting water quality plans for specific ground or surface water basins and by prescribing and enforcing requirements on all agricultural, domestic, and industrial waste discharges. Specific responsibilities and procedures of the Boards and the State Water Resources Control Board are contained in the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act.

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Karl E. Longley	Fresno	9/30/2017
Robert Schneider	Davis	9/30/2018
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